



HONOLULU AUTHORITY for RAPID TRANSPORTATION

HART eBLAST NEWSLETTER

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The Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) has completed the fieldwork required for the Archaeological Inventory Survey (AIS), a significant step as the authority looks to resume construction activity on the rail transit project later this year.

Construction crews from Royal Contracting and archaeologists from Cultural Surveys Hawaii, joined by HART's cultural monitors, wrapped up their work ahead of their original schedule.

Workers excavated more than 400 trenches along the 20-mile rail route that runs from East Kapolei to Ala Moana Center, including 92 trenches in Kapolei and Waipahu, 34 trenches in the Pearl City/Aiea area, 47 in the Pearl Harbor and Airport areas, and 260 in the City Center section between Middle Street and Ala Moana.

The purpose of an AIS is to identify potential archaeological, historical and cultural resources and to aid rail project staff members in their design of the elevated rail guideway.

In August of last year, the Hawaii Supreme Court ruled the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) violated its rules by giving approval for construction of the rail project to proceed before an archaeological survey was completed for the entire rail route.

HART temporarily halted construction on the project and accelerated work to complete the archaeological inventory on the portion of the route not yet surveyed.

Remains were found at seven sites, all in the City Center section. Anticipating the possibility of finding iwi in the Honolulu area, HART set up a protocol for the treatment of such finds in coordination with the SHPD, the O`ahu Island Burial Council and other stakeholders. HART staff members have determined that if the decision is made to leave burials in place, HART would be able to adjust the final design to accommodate that request.

An extensive analysis, interpretation and report on the findings is now being drafted and will be submitted to the SHPD for its review and approval.

HART has scheduled a meeting with recognized cultural and lineal descendants, applicants for recognition as cultural and lineal descendants, and other interested parties, as part of its ongoing consultation on recent iwi kupuna findings and burial treatment plans. The meeting is planned for Thursday, February 7th, at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Hawaii Community Development Authority office at 461 Cooke Street in Kaka`ako.

HISTORIC PROPERTIES WORKSHOP

If you own a building that is more than 50 years old and meets historic criteria, you may be eligible for tax breaks, grants and other financial incentives to preserve your historic building.

HART will be presenting an important educational workshop for owners of historic properties on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. The workshop is free and open to the public. It will be held at the Hawaii Community Development Authority office located at 461 Cooke Street.

For more information on the workshop, contact the 24-hour project hotline at (808) 566-2299 or email info@HonoluluTransit.org.

Invitation to Important Educational Workshop for

OWNERS OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Tuesday, February 12, 2013 • 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Hawaii Community Development Authority
461 Cooke Street • Honolulu, HI 96813



FREE and Open to the Public

Presented by the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART)
If you own a building over 50 years old that meets historic criteria, you may be eligible for tax breaks, grants and other financial incentives to preserve your historic building.

The workshop will cover:

- Determination of property eligibility for the Historic Registers
- Process to list a property on the Hawai'i and/or National Registers
- Benefits of historic designation and rehabilitation
- Financial incentives and resources
- Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentive Program
- City Real Property Tax exemptions

For more information, please contact the 24-hour project hotline at (808)-566-2299 or email info@HonoluluTransit.org.

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ALA MOANA TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY MEETING



One of the most exciting aspects of the Honolulu Rail Transit Project is the opportunities

it provides for transit-oriented development near the rail stations.

On Tuesday, February 19th at 6:00 pm in the McKinley High School cafeteria, the Department of Planning and Permitting, along with representatives from HART, will hold a community meeting about the Ala Moana Neighborhood Transit-Oriented Development Plan.

The meeting provides a chance for residents to have a say in shaping their community, especially as it relates to housing, retail and commercial space, improved sidewalks, and bicycle lanes.

Light refreshments will be served.

For more information, visit www.HonoluluDPP.org/planning.

UPCOMING HART BOARD MEETINGS

HART Finance/Project Oversight Committees

February 7, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.

Mission Memorial Annex Conference Room | 550 S. King Street, Honolulu

HART Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Committee

February 21, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

Kapolei Hale | Conference Room B | 1000 Uluohia Street, Kapolei

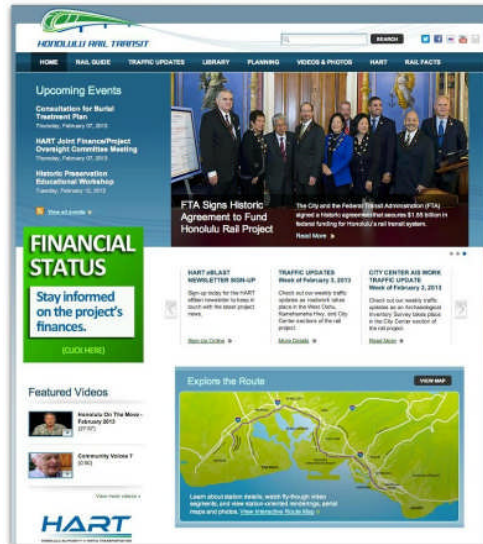
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February 21, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.

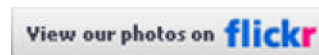
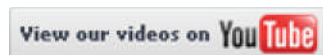
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